Synopses and Backstories Report for "Your Story"

Main Character Backstory:

Katharina Morel was forced to be independent from early childhood on, and with the young age of almost 10 she stood quite alone in this world, serving to other people. But at the same time, she maintained an intimate and loving relationship with her sister. This extraordinary combination of hardship and support would teach two essential things in live. First, that economic independence was a prime tool for personal sovereignty. She learned that she could rely on herself. But second, she also learned very soon, that the support of others was necessary. Even though, other people could fail, she new to chose people who would stay loyal to her and how to use such relationships in her own benefit. Examples of such people, besides her sister, were both of her husbands, the coronel Segesser and his family, the radical liberals, especially her friends from the Trockenbund, several priests of the Catholic church, her doctors, especially Dr. Jakob Robert Steiger, and during all her life her nieces, foremost Katharina Peyer who became her sole heir.

Impact Character Backstory:

Constantin Siegwart-Müller lost early, at the age of eight, both of his parents, originally German immigrant and glassworkers.

He was fostered by the Catholic priest Josef Maria Regli in Seelisberg who was also his first educator and taught him an honest and simple love in the Christian faith and the church institutions.

His own spiritual development convinced him of the importance to combine economic and scientific progress with a persona spiritual development. At the same time, his believe in individual liberty motivated him support a reform within the church.

Main vs. Impact Story Backstory:

Both the radicals and the conservatives tried to promote their goals through violent actions, the first by the systematic attacks of the Volunteerism movement (Freischaarenzüge) and the second by the separatist alliance (Sonderbund).

In both cases, violence was used as a tool and considered as a lesser good, only justificated as a last resort where any other tools had failed.

The radicals felt that time was running out and required some impulse to push things in the right direction, mostly because of the pressuring developments in the surrounding countries in which liberal ideals had completly been abandoned. Katharina Morel in concrete took violent actions against their own citizens, when she felt that waiting any longer to achieve a liberation of Jakob Robert Steiger, would fail and end with his execution.

The conservatives started the Sonderbund as a defensive alliance in order to defend their religious liberty.

Neither of the participants in violent actions was proud of them and they rather considered it as a failure for not having found other, more peaceful solutions.

Overall Story Backstory:

Master Character Synopsis:

Main vs. Impact Character Synopsis:

While Katharina Morel tried to solve external threats to her personal sovereignty, Constantin Siegwart-Müller strived for a mediation between personal will and the God's community as institutionalized in the church.

Overall Characters Mini-Synopsis:

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